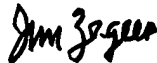


REMARKS

Claims 12 and 13 have been cancelled with this amendment reducing the issues on appeal.

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 7 and 11 are pending in the application.

Respectfully submitted,



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In the event this paper is deemed not timely filed, the applicant hereby petitions for an appropriate extension of time. The fee for this extension may be charged to Deposit Account No. 26-0090 along with any other additional fees which may be required with respect to this paper.